MARKET REPORT.	
Wheat, white	85
Wheat, red	
Onts	16
Hye.	80
Corn, old ear	13
Corn, shelled	26
Potatoes	10 00 15
Buckwheat	95
Boans	50
Apples per bu	20.70
Clover Seed	\$0,29
Butter	VANCOUNCE
Race	Unidion
Honey	7 (0)
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	9.75
Dressed Pork	9.80
Live Pork	05.55.00
Dressed Beef	03
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Mutton, dressed	-05
Live Chickens	07
Dressed Chickens	07
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Live Geese	-06
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HIS FAREWELL TO ALMA. F. P. Knowles, a very Popular Alma College Student, In the Pulpit.

Howard Moore of Ionia renders Solo.

Sunday last will not soon be forgotten College. It was the last Sunday that for blessings unto our nation, for giving F. P. Knowles will spend in Alma for us these noble patriotic men in the dark Presbyterian church invited him to war are swiftly passing away, each year his departure but will still wish him the best of success in his chosen life work. The weather Sunday was almost perfect so a crowded house greeted the young minister as he rose to invoke the blessing upon the assembled multitude. His sermon in the morning was a gentle though urgent plea for the spiritual union of the church of Christ. His delivery and language was simple though telling and truly showed forth the possibilities of the man.

In the evening another good sized audience came to listen to his lessons and teachings from the story of the 'Prodigal Son." It was a plea for the oung man and woman who were away from Christ to come to themselves and return to his fold.

Closest attention was paid by the listeners and a sincere and thoughtful

response was manifest on every hand. The citizens of Alma as well as the both discourses and wish Mr. Knowles Godspeed to his new field of activity He will be ordained in a few weeks and will spend next year as a student in Auburn, N. Y., Theological Seminary after which he will take up his life work of proclaiming the gospel. Mr. Howard Moore of Ionia was present in the evening and assisted the choir with the music. He sang a beautiful tenor solo which was greatly appreciated by the audience. Mr. Moore has a charming tenor voice, clear and strong, and uses it to good effect. Aima people hope to hear him again.

GRAND MA'S TEA, to cents, cures stomach, kidney and liver diseases.

### Sanitarium Notes.

Dr. I. N. Danforth of Chicago was the guest of Dr. Pettyjohn this week.

H. W. Ashley, General Manager of the Ann Arbor, is at the Sanitarium for

A. J. Deveraux has been fishing on the Chippewa river this week. He brought back some very nice speckled

Mr. Miles, patentee of one of the best Company, is a guest this week.

The return sleeper Tuesday night brought Mrs. Bradford of Quincy, Ill., and Mrs. Crane of Charleston, Ill., to

spend the season at the institution. H. L. Thomas, a prominent real estate dealer and J W. Fortune, president of the Grand Trunk Railway, both of Detroit, are here for a few days' rest and

treatment. Dr. Pettyjohn was in Grand Rapids vesterday attending the meeting of the Michigan Medical Society. He read a tric Diseases and their Treatment."

Among those who have taken to the wheel are Hon. and Mrs. M. S. Brewer, Rev. Thomas Murray, Mr. Michelson, Miss Field and Mrs. Morton. Col. and Mrs. Terrel and Capt. Shay will undoubtedly soon follow.

The sanitarium register contained the following names Wednesday morning: H. W. Ashley, Toledo; Geo. E. Sterling, Oakland, Cal.; Miss Millie Comstock, Dr. A. S. H. Gooding, Owosso; R. S. Dutton, Detroit; Mrs. E. F. Bradford, Quincy, Ill.; Thomas F. Murray, Bay City; Louis M. Fitch, Grand Rapids; Dr. W. J. Herdman, Ann Arbor.

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#### DECORATION DAY.

Will be Observed in Alma by the G. A. R.

ARRANGEMENTS UNDERWAY.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. posts of Alma are beginning arrangements for the annual celebration of Memorial Day at this place. The following committees are appointed by the post to have charge of the work: On speaker, W. S. Turck, E. N. Chadwick, Lumon Gee; committee of arrangements, V. M. Wilson, Lumon Gee, Orlando Sharp. Commander Gargett has also appointed Adj. Greig to invite all the secret and students' societies of the village to join in the celebration. This is all that has been done thus far. The speaker has not as yet been obtained.

What is now needed is the hearty cooperation of all our citizens to make the day a pleasant one. Let us all turn out and do our share towards beautifying a the silent resting places of our noble dead.

Decoration Day should be a sacred by the students and friends of Alma holiday, a day of thanksgiving to God, some time to come and the pastor of the hour of trial. The soldiers of the civil occupy the pulpit and address the stu- a number of names are stricken from dents. During his four years' stay in the roll. Let us then turn out enmasse Alma Mr. Knowles has won a large while we may and do honor to them. circle of friends who regret exceedingly Let us show them that our zeal and patriotism are still alive and our love of country undying.

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### MEMORIAL DAY.

The following Memorial Day order has been issued by department president, Louese A. Turck, to the various corps of Michigan

Memorial Day with all its sweet and hallowed associations draws near, and the precious memories inseparably connected with its observance, from year to year, rest upon this Nation in tender benediction.

It is ours privilege to assist the Grand Army in the labor of love-to weave bright garlands in memory of those who sleep in the Southland, to cover with flowers the graves of their comrades who sleep in our own "silent cities." students were greatly delighted with the day truly National in its signifi-Let us, also, do all in our power to make cance, remembering always that it does not belong exclusively to the Grand Army and Woman's Relief Corps, but to all who love our country and the memory of its defenders.

Give the children a part in the exercises. Encourage them to bring the lovely emblems of spring from the woods and from the conservatories. Let them tell in song and recitation the story of love and loyalty which saved our dear land in the hour of peril, and thus awaken in their young hearts patriotic devotion to "One Country and one Flag."

The glad springtime, the happy children, the fragrant buds and blossomsall the brightest and best of earth's treasures have a part in the day; for no tribute can be too sweet and beautiful to express our gratitude for the priceless sacrifice of youth, strength and manhood which the day so fittingly com-

Let the Corps of this department attend the services of Memorial Sunday and thus show their appreciation of the beautiful custom.

In accordance with Grand Army and most modern electric belts and General Orders of this Department, president of the Owen Electric Belt Monday, May 31, will be observed as Memorial Day.

By command of LOUESE A. TURCK, Department President.

MARY F. TAYLOR,

Department Secretary.

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#### BASEBALL AT LAST.

Kalamazoo State League vs Alma The Alma baseball team will cross bats on the track grounds next Wednespaper while there on "Functional Gas- day afternoon with the Kalamazoo State League team. Alma will play hot ball terian church. and strive to do them. Pangbourn will undoubtedly pitch the game and he will have excellent support. The boys are at no little expense to secure the game so let everyone turn out and give them a rousing send off. Stir up your latent enthusiasm and yell for the home

#### Board of Review.

Notice is hereby given that the Board meet at the council rooms of said village on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 18th and 19th, 1897.

V. M. WILSON, Assessor.

Board of Review. The Board of Review for the township of Arcada will be in session at the clerk's village of Alma was held Tuesday night D. L. SHARRAR,

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Additional Local.

Baseball Wednesday. F. P. Knowles left for Hastings Wed-

J. F. Sartor, Sr., was in Ithaca on

business Monday. Dr. Pringle was in Midland on business Wednesday.

Miss Blanch Smith has a position at Bowling Green, Ohio. Rev. W. F. Jones preached in Madi-

son, Indiana, last Sunday. Dr. W. F. Jones of Edmore was in town Wednesday on business.

Geo. Pulfrey and wife of St. Johns were in Alma visiting friends yesterday. J. B. Parker and F. W. Hooper go to Chicago next week to buy cattle for their meat markets.

Rev. G. W. Bates left the first of the week for Bay City where he will spend the next two weeks.

Rev. W. F. Jones has returned from Chicago where he attended the Mc-Cormick commencement.

Baseball on the race track next Wednesday, May 19, Kalamazco State

League vs. Alma. Everyone come. Mr. Baker and wife and Mrs. Muffly of Sickles were the guestsof their uncle,

T. J. Lyon, and family over Sunday. Arthur Rodgers left for Fowlerville Wednesday eveving, where he has secured a position in a blacksmith shop.

Mr. T. J. Lyon and family attended the funeral of Mr. Lyon's brother-inlaw, Mr. H. Austin of Shepherd, last Thursday.

James M. Dallas is moving his family to Rosebush this week, where he will begin his labors as pastor of the Presby-

The work of removing the buildings from the site of the new block is being done this week. Al. Hodskinson is doing the work.

A bicycle track between Alma, Ithaca and St. Louis would be a good paying investment. Why don't somebody set the ball to rolling.

The postponed game of baseball between Alma and Mt. Pleasant will be of Review for the village of Alma will played in the latter place next Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. Regular meeting of the F. & A. M.

building committee will be given. A meeting of the bicycle riders of the \$1913.94.

a constitution and by-laws.

# Alma Gollege Summer School.

Begins July 6, 1897, and continues Five Weeks.

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Tuesday night, by the W. R. C. at their place. A meeting will be called soon to lodge rooms. About 75 were present consider the proposition. from St. Louis and Alma and a very enjoyable time spent. Refreshments were

The Gratiot County Enterprise of Riverdale begins its existence this week his new field of labor, Saturday. with Fred D. Strong as editor. It is a bright, newsy little sheet and is sure of | day looking after a position in the success. A good independent news- schools, paper has been needed in that section for ome time. We are glad to welcome it.

The Alma Anti-Coffee Company are tion over Sunday. nearly ready to begin operations at their new factory in the Schwartz block. The large new roaster and gasoline engine save further trouble. are in place and ready to run. Their product will undoubtedly be placed on the market by the last of the coming

home of C. E. Pettyjohn to express their ten that he cannot come owing to poor appreciation of his labors in their be- health. half during the past winter. A very pleasant evening was spent and Mr. ful rocking chair.

The semi-annual apportionments of afternoon and is working them hard. primary school interest money has been Saturday evening. Every brother is rate of 54 cents per capita for Gratiot of subjects and many of them are very urged to attend as the report of the county is as follows: Number of valuable. children 9,211; amount appropriated

space within the track could be litted up year.

The third quarterly meeting of the U. for a shooting, football and baseball B. Church will be held in the Adventist ground at very little expense, while the church, Alma, commencing at 2:30 p. m. track could be used for bicycle races. May 22nd, contining over Sunday. There is no reason why we cannot have Presiding Elder Bolles will be in attend- an interesting and profitable tournament in Alma if this move is made. All that A very pleasant reception was given is wanted is the hearty co-operation of to Dept. President Louese A. Turck, every business man and athlete in the

GRAND MA'S TEA 10c, all druggists.

Louis Brooke left for Crystal Falls, Miss Ella Coons was in Edmore Mon-

Miss Seymour, state secretary of the Y. W. C. A., visited the college associa-

The young ladies who stole "Socks at 94" had best return them at once and

R. H. Sidebotham, class of '96, visited Alma friends the first of the week. He

was on his way to Bad Axe. The committee are very busy corres-Wednesday night about 35 members ponding for a speaker for commenceof the Epworth League gathered at the ment as Rev. J. M. Patterson has writ-

The faculty have granted May 28 and 29 as dates for the annual college field Pettyjohn was presented with a beauti- day. Track Manager Young has his track team at the Sanitarium park every

The college library this week received made by Supt. Hammond. The number the gift of one hundred and forty-seven of children of school age and the books from the Presbyterian church at amount of money apportioned at the Adrian. The books cover a large range

A. F. Waldo, class of '97, holds the proud distinction of graduating in A movement has been started in town Princeton Seminary this year at the office, Alma, Monday and Tuesday, May to form a club. Paul Bruske and Ray to lease the race track in the east part of head of a class of seventy. Waldo will Bakef were chosen a committee to draft the village for an athletic ground. The preach in Maryland during the coming